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A public meeting of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) will be held on September 9-10, 2015, at the Torrington Fire Station #1, 336 West Valley Road, Torrington, WY. As authorized by W.S. § 23-1-301-303 and W.S. § 23-1-401, the Commission will discuss and may vote to take action on the following matters:

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

1. Tour of the Downar Game Bird Farm and Springer/Bump Sullivan Wildlife Habitat Management Area. 8:00 a.m.

The Commission and Department staff will tour the Downar Game Bird Farm and Springer/Bump Sullivan Wildlife Habitat Management Area. This tour is open to members of the public. Members of the general public will need to provide their own transportation. (The tour will depart from the Torrington Holiday Inn Express at 8:00 a.m.)

Open Session continues at approximately 1:00 p.m.

- 2. Presenter: Scott Talbott, Director. Opening Comments, Introductions and Director's Report. The Director will make opening comments and introductions and provide an update to the Commission on his activities since the last Commission meeting. Informational presentation; however, the Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the presentation.
- **3. Presenter: Commission President. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the July 2015 Commission Meeting Minutes.
- **4. Presenter: Kent Drake, Wyoming Board of Agriculture. Animal Damage Management Board Projects.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the projects selected for funding by the Animal Damage Management Board.
- 5. Presenter: Ray Bredehoft, Habitat and Access Branch Chief, Services Division. 5-Year Grazing Plans for the Red Rim Daley and Red Rim Grizzly Wildlife Habitat Management Areas. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the 5-year grazing plans for the Red Rim Daley and Red Rim Grizzly Wildlife Habitat Management Areas.
- **6. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Uniform Policy.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve changes to the Uniform Policy.

- 7. Presenter: Jean Cole, Chief, Fiscal Division. License Selling Agent Appointments. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve new applications for license selling agents Walmart #4653 in Cheyenne and Roundtop Mountain Motel in Thermopolis.
- 8. Presenters: Ian Tator, Terrestrial Habitat Program Manager, Wildlife Division, and Paul Dey, Aquatic Habitat Program Manager, Fish Division. Strategic Habitat Plan. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve changes to the Strategic Habitat Plan.
- 9. Presenter: Brian Nesvik, Chief, Wildlife Division USDA-APHIS. Request for Cow Elk for Brucellosis Research. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve a request to export 20 seropositive pregnant cow elk from a Department elk feedground to the Colorado State University/USDA-APHIS Wildlife Research Facility in Ft. Collins, CO.
- **10. Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. Wyoming Game and Fish Department Lab Building in Laramie.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the Department's work to construct a new Wildlife Forensic and Fish Health Lab in Laramie. Informational presentation; however, the Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the presentation.
- 11. Presenter: Mike Ehlebracht, Investigations Unit Supervisor, Wildlife Division. Operation Fair Chase. The Commission will be provided with a presentation on the "Operation Fair Chase" enforcement case. Informational presentation; however, the Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the presentation.
- 12. Call to the Public.

Adjourn for the day.

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Thursday, September 10, 2015

Executive Session begins at 8:00 a.m.

A representative from the Attorney General's Office will update the Commission on matters concerning litigation. A representative from the Department may update the Commission on matters concerning the purchase of real estate and certain, limited personnel matters. The Commission will be asked to approve the Executive Session Minutes from the July 2015 meeting.

Open Session begins at approximately 9:00 a.m.

- 13. Presenter: Butch Parks, Lands Administration Supervisor, Services Division. Authorization to Proceed with Negotiations for Acquiring or Disposing of Fee Title and/or Less Than Fee Title Property Rights. The Commission may be asked to vote to authorize the Department to proceed with negotiations for the acquisition or disposal of fee title and/or less than fee title property rights.
- **14. Presenter: Butch Parks, Lands Administration Supervisor, Services Division. Approval to Acquire or Dispose Fee Title and/or Less Than Fee Title Property Rights.** The Commission may be asked to vote to approve the acquisition or disposal of fee title and/or less than fee title property rights.
- 15. Presenter: Scot Kofron, Chief, Services Division. Policy Guidelines for the Acquisition and Disposal of Real Property Rights. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the Policy Guidelines for the Acquisition and Disposal of Real Property Rights.
- **16. Presenter: Scot Kofron, Chief, Services Division. Porter Public Fishing and Hunting Easement on the Salt River and Christensen Creek.** The Commission will hear a proposal prepared by Stauffer Management Company, LLC to change the Commission's Porter Public Fishing and Hunting Easement on the Salt River and Christensen Creek. The Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on, items covered in the presentation.
- 17. Presenter: Scott Edberg, Deputy Chief, Wildlife Division. Repeal of Chapter 57, Regulation Governing Fee Title Property Rights of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the repeal of Chapter 57, Regulation Governing Fee Title Property Rights of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.

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- **18. Presenter: John Kennedy, Deputy Director. January 2016 Commission Meeting Date.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the date for the January 2016 Commission Meeting.
- **19. Presenter: Carrie Little, Commission Vice President. Update on the 2015 Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Annual Meeting.** The Commission will be provided with an update on the 2015 Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Annual Meeting.
- 20. Call to the Public.

Adjourn

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